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HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 5TH, 1908

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT's successor at the White House is Mr. TAFT. The result of the elections must be a source of very great gratification to the retiring President, firstly because the return of Mr. TAFT by even larger majorities than were obtained by Mr. ROOSEVELT himself expresses in the most emphatic manner the nation's approval of the policies initiated by him; and secondly, because the return of Mr. TAFT ensures the continuance of those policies and their extension. In his campaign address Mr. TAFT has announced emphatically his intention, if elected, to devote all his energies "to prevail upon Congress to pass laws to clinch the ROOSEVELT policies." Mr. BRYAN has failed in his third attempt and must now recognise that his political theories can never secure for him the position he seeks. He has weakened rather than strengthened the Democratic party in the States, and sturdy old-line Democrats have not hesitated to stamp Mr. BRYAN, without disparagement of his intellectual powers, as the greatest demagogue of the age. We can safely say of Mr. TAFT's election that it will give general satisfaction in the Far East for the foreign policy of President ROOSEVELT, so far as it affects this part of the world, has admittedly been guided largely by the advice of Mr. TAFT. In the Philippines, among the American community, and, we believe, among the leading Filipinos there will be great rejoicing because the return of Mr. TAFT gives confidence that the needs of the islands will receive the most sympathetic consideration at his hands, for as the first Civil Governor of the islands, Mr. TAFT naturally takes a paternal

interest in the development of the plans he initiated there. We feel confident that Mr. TAFT will in all respects prove a worthy successor of President ROOSEVELT, who will go down in history as a fearless, honest and far-seeing administrator.

The Edict published last week appointing Grand Councillor CHANG CHIH TUNG Director-General of the Canton-Hankow railway and vesting in him supreme control is probably a prelude to further interesting developments. It is probably, as our Canton correspondent has remarked, the first step towards the redemption of the line by the Chinese Government. When a year ago Sir CHENTUNG LIANG CHANG, K.C.M.G., took charge as Director-General of the Kwantung portion of the railway it was hoped that under his wise and experienced control the dissensions among the shareholders would disappear and that all concerned would unite together to complete their share of this great inter-provincial railway. Such, unhappily, has not proved the case, but regardless of all attacks made upon his administration Sir CHENTUNG LIANG CHANG has made steady progress with the work. It is one of the notable facts of public life in China that no man gets credit for honest administration. When a few months ago the second instalment of the share capital fell due only a small fraction of the amount was forthcoming, and the failure or refusal to pay was ascribed to the dissatisfaction of the shareholders with the administration, it being alleged that there had been a recklessness of expenditure which would make this one of the most expensive railway undertakings in the world instead of, as it ought to be, one of the cheapest. Sir CHENTUNG LIANG CHANG's reply to the criticisms threw a totally different light upon the figures and showed that his critics had but a very superficial knowledge of the Company's affairs. Nevertheless, not one tenth part of the second instalment of the share capital has yet been paid up. Two months ago His Excellency CHANG CHIH TUNG was sending down telegrams from Peking threatening that if the second instalment on the shares were not promptly paid the Government would consider the advisability of taking the line out of the Company's hands. We believe our statement is correct that not one-tenth of the amount due on the second instalment has been paid, though the money is more than three months overdue. The intimation given by H. E. CHANG CHIH TUNG that in the event of the Government taking the work out of the Company's hands foreign loans would be raised to complete the line might have been expected to influence the arbitrary or recalcitrant shareholders more effectively than any other argument, for it was with the express intention of avoiding the employment of foreign capital for the construction of the line that the Company was formed. Government interference was objected to three years ago with equal vehemence. But the times have changed, and evidently the people of Kwangtung have changed with them, for the defaulting shareholders have manifested no concern over the possibility of the employment of foreign capital. They are still deaf to appeals for payment of the second instalment and the alternative pointed out by the Peking authorities has apparently evoked no protest. For some reason or other a change seems to have come over the spirit of the people's dream during the last few years and the prospect of the great trunk line being constructed with the assistance of foreign capital seems now to be regarded with complaisance. It is plain that the Government does not intend to suffer this work to be delayed. Time will doubtless be allowed to see whether the Edict giving to CHANG CHIH TUNG absolute control of the affairs of the railway will have the effect of encouraging the shareholders to pay the calls due on their shares. His Excellency has been given full power in the matter of raising funds for the railway, and we assume from this that if the necessary funds are not forthcoming from the shareholders who have promised to provide them, it will be within the competence of the Director-General to procure them from other sources. It has been estimated by a competent authority that the average cost of the permanent line, including rolling stock, of the 720 miles between Canton and Hankow will be about \$75,000 per mile, and at present it does not seem that one-fifth of that is likely to be provided by the people of China who talked three years ago of furnishing the whole of the capital. Doubtless the new Director-General will soon want to know definitely what possibility there is of obtaining the funds immediately required, and so far as one can see, now, the redemption of the line by the Government is a by no means unlikely event of the near future.

According to a London tea firm's report, the imports of China tea this year into England show an increase of 117 per cent, over 1907, and 350 per cent over 1906.

A Tonkin contemporary says that no man can it be better said than of the new Governor-General of Indo-China that he is the right man in the right place.

Tonkin T. C. Wong who has been appointed a director of the Chinese Merchants Steam Navigation Co., was formerly for many years Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's Agent at Ichang.

At the Magistracy yesterday Mr. J. B. Wood sentenced a native to three months' imprisonment for breaking and entering a godown at 14, Moon Street, Wanhai, and stealing \$22 worth of bamboo.

A native who was arrested on the Macao steamer "Sai An" with a revolver and 250 rounds of ammunition was yesterday fined \$5 by Mr. Wood, who also ordered the confiscation of the revolver and ammunition.

Dr. Boutflower is resigning the Bishopric of Dorking to proceed to Japan to assist Dr. Avery, the Bishop of South Tokyo. Dr. Boutflower offered himself for Missionary service just prior to the Pan-Anglo-Saxon Conference, and the offer, a London contemporary says, aroused much interest as Dr. Boutflower might reasonably have expected higher preference at home.

In the world of functionaries in Indo-China we learn from a Tonkin paper there is consternation over the suppression of a number of directions générales. It is nothing less than a revolution rendered necessary by the excessive number of functionaries which has more than doubled in ten years, of whom the greater number have been appointed not because of their qualifications for the post, but solely because it was agreeable to certain powerful personages. If nepotism flourishes in France, adds our contemporary, it is in Indo-China that it reaches its fullest development.

## A LEADER OF THE RIOTS.

## MISTER T. T. DEANSON RE-AFFIRMED.

The re-hearing of the case in which Leung Sing Tak was committed to jail for six months for being a ringleader of the boycotters was taken by Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. C. F. Dixon (of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings) who appeared for the prisoner said he intended to call witnesses to show that he was not a man likely to be a ringleader in an affair of this kind. He wished first, however, to ask Inspector Richie if he really thought that this man was a ringleader.

Inspector Richie considered he was, seeing that he tried to break open the doors and was leading the crowd.

The prisoner was called, and said he was employed in a fish monger's stall at the Central Market. On Sunday night he was sent out by his master to pay a bill, and on his way back to the market he met a friend. Seeing a crowd of over one thousand men in Queen's Road they went along to see what was the matter.

Witness had a pair of chopsticks at the time, and was afraid of walking too quickly lest he should tread on the feet of some of the crowd and get into trouble. As the crowd swayed his way he and his friend were pushed under the veranda and then up to the door of a shop which had iron bars in front of it. He was hanging on to these iron bars with both hands so that he should not fall when the police arrested him.

Have you ever attended any meeting in connection with the boycott?—No, I don't know the meaning of meeting yet.

You were arrested just outside of this shop?—Yes.

Were you shouting and urging the crowd to attack the shop?—I called out a few times to my friend to let him know where I was, as I lost sight of him in the crowd.

After further evidence had been heard Mr. Dixon asked His Worship to say that Inspector Richie had made a bone file mistake, and discharged the defendant.

His Worship re-affirmed his decision.

## AN UNRULY SON.

A Chinese boy, 15 years of age, appeared before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday on a charge of stoning the police in the recent riot. His Worship adjourned the case on the previous day in order that the parents of the youth might be brought before the court. Yesterday the mother appeared and His Worship asked her whether she would take the boy home and give him a whipping, or whether she would prefer the police to do it.

The boy's mother said the police had better take him in hand, as he was a very unruly boy. On His Worship's instructions the youth was then taken out of Court by a sergeant and given a taste of the birch. It was not long before his screams penetrated to the Police Court; and then His Worship sent an inspector to order the sergeant to desist, and to bring the boy back into Court. When the sorry and sore youth returned, His Worship asked the mother if she was satisfied. "No," said the woman, "the more he gets the better he will be." His Worship dismissed the pair, and as they left the Court the mother was roundly abusing her offspring.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

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## TELEGRAMS.

## [DAILY PRESS EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

## AMERICAN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

LONDON, November 4th.

Mr. W. H. Taft had been elected President by a big majority. There was a record poll.

## THE NEW YORK ELECTION.

LONDON, November 4th.

Tammany has defeated Mr. Hughes.

## THE COTTON CRISIS.

LONDON, November 4th.

Another Lancashire cotton operatives' ballot is being taken, and the result will be announced on the 17th instant.

## INCREASED TAXATION IN GERMANY.

LONDON, November 4th.

The new taxation in Germany is estimated to yield £23,750,000. This amount will be raised from taxes on liquors, tobacco, electricity, gas and death-duties.

## THE "NEAR EASTERN" SITUATION.

LONDON, November 4th.

The situation in the Balkans is announced to be growing more serious.

## THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

TOKYO, November 4th.

11.50 a.m. American telegrams received here report that the election has been won by Mr. Taft.

## THE AMERICAN FLEET AT AMOY.

AMOY, November 4th.

At midnight the postal matshid was destroyed by fire. It was apparently caused by a spark from the fireworks.

Rear-Admiral Emery yesterday telegraphed birthday congratulations to H. M. the Empress Dowager.

In the sporting contests the "Virginia's" men won the football trophy and the "Kentucky's" men secured the prize for baseball. The trophies were presented to the winners by His Highness Prince Lang and H. E. Liang Tung Yen amid the greatest enthusiasm.

At the dinner cloisonné cups were presented on behalf of the Chinese Government as souvenirs of the visit.

## SHANGHAI RACES.

SHANGHAI, November 4th.

The results of the third day of the meeting are as follows:

## THE FLYAWAY PLATE.

Mr. Buxley's Jubilee Rose ... (Mr. Barkill) 1  
Mr. Ballou's Anteus ... (Mr. Vida) 3  
Mr. Marshall's Myrtle Tree ... (Mr. Vida) 3  
Time 1m. 54-2/5s.

## THE FOY-MATING CUP.

Mr. Saxe-Bornstein's Jupiter ... (Mr. Moller) 1  
Mr. Ellis Kadourie's Kandahar Chief ... (Mr. Schorr) 2  
Mr. John Peel's Kirby ... (Mr. Wallum) 3  
Time 2m. 55-4/5s.

## THE COSMOPOLITAN CUP.

Mr. Ballou's Bucephalus ... (Mr. Moller) 1  
Mr. G. D. Conte's Sire ... (Mr. Hayes) 3  
Mr. N. W. Hickling's Marbles (Mr. Linton) 3  
Time 4m. 32s.

## EXPENSIVE AMUSEMENT.

The other day the Chief Abbot of the Wah Lum Temple was arrested and fined \$1,000 by the Chief in charge of No. 1 Police Station for engaging a "Sing Song" girl to sing a few songs in the Ohan Shau Hotel. The poor girl was also fined \$50 for accepting the engagement and the Hotel was sealed and all its furniture confiscated. The total cost of the Chief Monk's amusement for that evening when reckoned out comes to something like \$10,000. This includes the value of the Hotel building, its furniture, and \$1,000 in fines. The fines were paid. Public opinion is that the Abbot got off "dirt cheap" as he is said to be a fabulously wealthy man.

## THE PAI-MUTCHU CUP.

Mr. John Peel's Manchu King ... (Mr. Wallum) 1  
Mr. Ellis Kadourie's Mohawk Chief ... (Mr. Schorr) 2  
Mr. Buxley's Spring Rose ... (Mr. Barkill) 3  
Time, 3m. 57-4/5s.

## THE MANCHU STAKES.

Mr. Speeler's Doubtless ... (Mr. Hayes) 1  
Mr. Fash's Pianola ... (Mr. Linton) 2  
Messa. Morris and Argonagh's Medfield ... (Mr. Crighton) 3  
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## THE CONSOLATION CUP.

Mr. E. B. Marshall's Myrtle Tree (Mr. Vida) 1  
Mr. Toog's Spree ... (Mr. Hayes) 2  
Mr. Marine's Argante ... (Mr. Crighton) 3  
Time 2m. 55-4/5s.

## THE CHAMPION SWEEPSTAKES.

Mr. Ballou's Gemini ... (Mr. Moller) 1  
Mr. Saxe-Bornstein's Sagittarius (Mr. Schorr) 2  
Mr. Harley & Morie ... (Mr. Poulsen) 3  
Time 2m. 49-4/5s.

## THE FOY-MATCUP.

Mr. Fash's Marbles ... (Mr. Springfield) 1  
Mr. Ballou's Virgo ... (Mr. D'Algaro) 2  
Mr. Manchester's Slipket ... (Mr. Eggers) 3  
Time 2m. 02s.

## [REUTER'S SERVICE.]

## GREAT BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

LONDON, November 2nd.

The German Foreign Office, to which Prince Buslow passed on the Kaiser's interview, explains that its officials imagined the publication by the *Daily Telegraph* had already been decided upon, and that they were only required to check the historical accuracy of the statement made therin.

## THE EUROPEAN SITUATION.

LONDON, November 2nd.

The Russian newspaper strongly oppose the proposed European Conference unless it includes the discussion of territorial compensation to Servia and Montenegro. Many of them also oppose the recognition of the annexation of Bosnia altogether, and urge its refusal by the Conference.

## CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

November, 3rd.

## THE SHAMEEN SWIMMING BATH.

At the last meeting a resolution was passed approving of the lease of Lot No. 78 to the Municipal Council for the purpose of constructing a public swimming bath. The original estimate given at

## THE AMERICAN FLEET'S

VISIT TO AMOY.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

AMOY, October 30th.

Those who know Amoy may smile to see it compared to Venice. I have heard the comparison made by more than one. And it does not seem altogether inept. If one wants to go almost anywhere a sampan has to be employed. Supposing business takes the visitor to the American Consulate it is too uncertain to walk round the tortuous roads of Kulangsu in the hope of getting there. Far better to go by water, and you are landed at the door. And the same with other houses and offices. It follows, too, that with most of the business transacted on the Concession on the Amoy side business people as well as visitors have to spend a few hours daily on the water. But the like to Venice does not end with the principles of thoroughfare being a waterway; the sampans themselves help to heighten the impression. They are gay with colour, they are slightly raised fore and aft, and the boatman stands to his oars, as most Chinese do. There perhaps the comparison ends.

Amoy itself has a reputation which need not be mentioned. The city struggles along the sandy shore of the inner harbour, dominated by the rocks which thrust their innumerable curios, forms into the sky line or dippe the surface of the low-lying hills. The harbour too is dotted with rocks forming striking marks above water and inclosing unway craft underneath. The feature of Amoy is indeed its rocks, many attracting attention by their peculiar contours. A walk through the native city, especially in the evening, suggests inferior to the visitor who finds himself going down and down, descending steps and crawling along narrow gloomy streets, in which fitful lights accentuate the darkness. That of course is expected in an old Chinese city, but what can be said of Kulangsu, the bean islet, island given over to the foreign settlement? It possesses many charming nooks, many interesting rocks, and many fine residences. But its roads, Ah! The maze, as our American friends would say, is only a circumference to them. They are pretty enough, but they don't begin anywhere and they end in the same place. They turn and twist in sheer wantonness, and after the visitor has succeeded in losing himself once or twice he decides that it is better to take a sampan if he wants to get to any place that is accessible.

Well, this quiet sleepy place has suddenly awakened. It is full of people; its harbour is full of ships. The half of the Great White Fleet, the eight big American battleships accompanied by a presentable Chinese squadron of cruisers and gunboats, are lying off the old fort. The East and the West are united. The old and the modern have met. China herself supplies the greatest contrasts. The fortifications, relics of the antiquity which still enthrals the land, are now held by smartly uniformed soldiers, armed with rifle and bayonet and equipped like the most modern troops, the officers too displaying as much braid and gold as those of any Western country. Behind the fort is the parade ground with its beautiful reception hall and about a dozen matchsheds. It is ablaze with colour: it is throbbing with animation.

After the big guns had boomed their greetings, the time was spent in exchanging visits. Nightfall produced a sight which has certainly not been witnessed in Amoy before. The eight battleships were illuminated from every possible part. Their stately outlines shone in a mass of electric bulbs, and as the light shimmered over the surface of the water the effect was very striking. The Chinese were moved to "Hi-yahs" and those who aspired to pigeon English expressed themselves "look see pigeon belong very nice." Before seven o'clock the steam pinnacles of the Fleet maintained a regular service to the race course carrying the 3,000 men who were to dine on shore, and, of course, the Admiral and Officers who were to be similarly entertained.

The men had a good time in the matchsheds. They all seemed to enjoy the Chinese fare, and as it was washed down by plenty of liquor, they had no cause for dissatisfaction. The meal was well served. Then to add to the pleasure of the men they received a number of souvenirs such as fans, flags and so on. Afterwards they adjourned to the Chinese theatre where a talented company of Chinese artists performed.

The Admiral and Officers were entertained in the reception hall which was decorated in excellent taste throughout. His Imperial Highness Prince Yu Liang, His Excellency Sung Shou, Vice-roy of Fukien, His Excellency Liang Tien-yen President of the Board of Foreign Affairs, His Excellency Shang Hsia Hong, provincial treasurer, and Rear-Admiral C. P. Sah, Commander-in-chief of the Chinese Squadron, received the visitors. Including members of the reception committee, Chinese officials, gentry, and Americans, about 200 sat down to dinner. The menu was typically Chinese but, of course, the excellent liquors were brought from other lands. The visitors were not altogether new to chop sticks, having made use of them in Japan, but knives and forks were provided for those who were not expert with the chopsticks. The repast was thoroughly enjoyed. With good food, good wine and good fellowship it could not well be otherwise. A naval band discovered pleasing solos during the evening, the programme opening with the Chinese National Anthem, followed by the American "Hail Columbia."

At the conclusion Prince Yu Liang made a short speech in which he welcomed the American fleet and expressed China's appreciation of the assistance rendered her by America. He also thanked the officers of the Fleet for their presence and added that China was very sensible of the great honour done her by that visit. The sentiments expressed were received with great applause.

## ANNUAL LICENSING SESSIONS.

The annual meeting of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace to consider applications for publicans' and adjunct licences for the forthcoming year was held at the Magistrate yesterday afternoon. Mr. J. B. Wood presided and among the other Justices were the Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, Captain F. J. Badley, Messrs. W. Bowen Howland, G. N. Crane, H. K. Tong, A. H. Hollingsworth, A. Shelton Hooper, E. D. C. Wolfe, E. O. Hutchison, A. Denison, D. W. Truman, F. Arculli, Ng Li Hing and Captain W. E. Clarke.

The following were granted publicans' licences for the hotels mentioned:—

A. F. Davies, The Hongkong Hotel, 21-31, Queen's Road Central and 1-8, Pedder Street; D. Dorabjee, The King Edward Hotel, 3 and 5, Des Voeux Road Central; F. Silberman, The Globe Hotel, 184, Queen's Road Central; M. Sternberg, The International Hotel, 318 and 320, Queen's Road Central; W. Krater, The Rose, Shamrock and Thistle Hotel, 304 and 306, Queen's Road Central; M. Matthay, The Oriental Hotel, 2, Queen's Road Central; G. Green, The Criterion Hotel, 98 and 100, Queen's Road Central; M. Tchetchelnitski, The Land We Live In Hotel, 332 and 334, Queen's Road Central; B. Mayer, The Colonial Hotel, 1, Jubilee Street; L. Conner, The Cosmopolitan Hotel, 65, Des Voeux Road Central; E. Oliver, The New Travellers' Hotel, 70, Queen's Road Central; C. L. W. Seeger, The German Tavern, 288 and 286, Queen's Road Central; R. H. Whittaker, The Praya East Hotel, 4, 41 and 42, Praya East; J. E. Barker, The Star Hotel 184 and 190, Queen's Road Central; and 99 and 101, Wellington Street.

The application from I. Grusman for a publican's licence to carry on the business of the Central Hotel at 78, Queen's Road Central, was then considered.

Mr. M. J. D. Stephens appeared for the applicant, Mr. John Hastings appeared to oppose the application on behalf of Mr. G. Green of the Criterion Hotel, and Messrs. C. F. Dixon and E. B. Deacon also appeared to oppose the application on behalf of Chinese shopkeepers in the vicinity.

The Chairman stated that he had received two petitions asking the Justices not to grant the application. Mr. Deacon put in a third.

Mr. Stephens stated that the applicant moved into the part of the town where he now was because his old premises had to be rebuilt, and it would take a month or six weeks to complete that rebuilding. If the Justices allowed his client to remain there for a month or six weeks, he would then apply for permission to stay there permanently, and would give his reasons why later. He thought as the matter stood at present the police had no objection.

The Chairman—The police have no objection as a temporary measure.

Mr. Stephens put in a letter received from Captain Laycock and asked the Justices to reconsider the question of allowing his client to stay where he was until his old premises were rebuilt. Then if the house was well conducted, he would apply for permission to remain there altogether. There were other hotels in the vicinity, and if there were one or two there that was no reason why there should not be more. He did not see why the privilege should be given to the few to stay in the centre of the town if others were to be debarred. That was not a fair way to look at the matter. If they were going to have a hard and fast rule they should not allow anyone to go beyond the cross roads. The first public house was the one to which the richas took the men who frequented these places; they went to the nearest so that they could speedily return to the wharf and get more fares. On Sunday week when the fleet arrived here the speaker passed along Queen's Road West and was nearly knocked down several times, not only by drunken men but by richas. This did not affect him very much, because he managed to dodge them, but some people would not like that. Take ladies, for instance. It would be a very unpleasant thing for them to pass these public houses. These ladies stagger when they go along (loud laughter). Not in the same perhaps that your Worship and the Justices are thinking, but they stagger at the sight when they go down to buy curios or other articles and see these public houses in full swing. If the Justices had passed along Queen's Road West when the fleet was in they would have seen a perfect pandemonium. If his client was debarred from moving up towards the central part of the town all these hotels should be removed beyond the cross roads. Considering the narrowness of the streets and the amount of the traffic it was not right that they should be in the central, and some day or other there would be an accident; some man would be knocked down and injured. He thought they ought all to be removed, and suggested that his Worship should go along occasionally and see for himself. There was a Jack Tar picket and a Marine picket to keep the bluejackets in order, so the Naval Authorities evidently thought there was necessity for keeping order, and, if they did, surely the police of the Colony would. If there was a sudden demand on the police, and none available to keep order, these men would turn up this part of the town.

Captain Badley—They would come and help us probably.

Mr. Stephens—They would probably bring the public house.

Captain Badley—But they would come and help us probably.

Mr. Stephens—You couldn't get them out if they were being entertained. Jack Tar wouldn't obey the orders of the police.

Captain Badley—No.

Mr. Stephens—But he would probably use very strong language.

Mr. Hastings submitted that the question which the Licensing Justices had to consider in this case was whether fresh licensing premises were required in this particular neighbourhood. Mr. Stephens had spoken of a temporary licence, but that was not what was asked for; the applicant asked for a permanent licence for these premises. He wished to come to this portion of the town which was already well provided with licensed premises, really with the object of taking away the business of the others. The argument advanced in favour of the applicant was a little difficult to follow. Because he had been knocked down by drunk men in the neighbourhood he Mr. Stephens pressed upon the Justices that there should be another public house there.

Mr. Stephens—My argument was that there should be no public house there at all.

Mr. Hastings—Then one does not see how it should apply in favour of your client.

Mr. Deacon said there were undoubtedly too many public houses in the vicinity, and that number should not be added to.

Mr. Hastings pointed out that the applicant was now selling liquor without permission.

The Chairman—He has permission from the police.

Mr. Hastings—That is not a licence, and on that ground his application ought to be rejected.

The Court was then cleared for the Justices to consider the application. When it was reopened the Chairman announced that they had decided to refuse the application.

Mr. Stephens then applied for a temporary licence, but the Chairman said they had not power to grant it.

Mr. Stephens said he would probably have to petition the Governor-in-Council.

The following adjunct licences were granted:—

C. Fidler, The Café Weissman Limited 34, Queen's Road Central; K. Uyetsuki, The Sei Foo Row Hotel, 36 and 37, Connaught Road Central; P. O. Peuster, The Peak Hotel, Victoria Gap; A. A. H. Milroy, The Sailor's Home, 394, Des Voeux Road West; J. H. Newbold, The Owl Grill Room, 29 and 31, Des Voeux Road Central; L. Gamaan, The Astor House, 13, Queen's Road Central; Owen Elias Ower, The Kowloon Hotel, 30, Elgin Road Kowloon.

The application from K. Uyetsuki for an adjunct licence for the Sei Foo Row Hotel at 36 and 37, Connaught Road Central, the Chairman announced, was objected to by the police.

Mr. Iavidge said he appeared in support of the applicant, and had had no notice of the objection.

Captain Badley—The objection is based upon a prosecution. The proprietor was convicted a short time ago for selling liquor otherwise than as his licensee permitted. Liquor was sold the same way as in a bar, a piece of bread and cheese being placed before a customer. An adjunct licence permitted the licensee to sell liquor as an adjunct to meals.

Mr. Davidson said it was practically a universal practice for adjunct licensees to supply bread and cheese with liquor. Probably the main object of a person applying for liquor was merely the liquor. He was instructed that on the occasion to which the police referred to, beer and bread and cheese were supplied in the usual way, but the servant who supplied them omitted to ask the usual question. In this case he did not see why the privilege should be given to the few to stay in the centre of the town if others were to be debarred. That was not a fair way to look at the matter. If they were going to have a hard and fast rule they should not allow anyone to go beyond the cross roads. The first public house was the one to which the richas took the men who frequented these places; they went to the nearest so that they could speedily return to the wharf and get more fares. On Sunday week when the fleet arrived here the speaker passed along Queen's Road West and was nearly knocked down several times, not only by drunken men but by richas. This did not affect him very much, because he managed to dodge them, but some people would not like that. Take ladies, for instance. It would be a very unpleasant thing for them to pass these public houses. These ladies stagger when they go along (loud laughter). Not in the same perhaps that your Worship and the Justices are thinking, but they stagger at the sight when they go down to buy curios or other articles and see these public houses in full swing. If the Justices had passed along Queen's Road West when the fleet was in they would have seen a perfect pandemonium. If his client was debarred from moving up towards the central part of the town all these hotels should be removed beyond the cross roads. Considering the narrowness of the streets and the amount of the traffic it was not right that they should be in the central, and some day or other there would be an accident; some man would be knocked down and injured. He thought they ought all to be removed, and suggested that his Worship should go along occasionally and see for himself. There was a Jack Tar picket and a Marine picket to keep the bluejackets in order, so the Naval Authorities evidently thought there was necessity for keeping order, and, if they did, surely the police of the Colony would. If there was a sudden demand on the police, and none available to keep order, these men would turn up this part of the town.

Captain Badley—What has it got to do with where we get our information?

Mr. Davidson—The branch complained of was when plain clothes officers went to the house and asked to be supplied with liquor. He submitted that the offence was a very trifling one, and was hardly sufficient for refusing the licence if it supplied a few men.

After considering the application in camera the Chairman announced on the opening of the Court that the application would be granted, but the applicant should be warned against breaking the law again.

The applications by T. M. King Kaw for an adjunct licence for the Shanghai Hotel, and by Po Fan for an adjunct licence for the Fan Hing Hotel were refused, but the Chairman announced in regard to the second application that if the applicant applied for a Chinese licence, the Registrar-General would support the application.

The Sessions then adjourned.

## THE PERSONAL EQUATION IN POLITICS.

The story of the secret negotiations which preceded the famous Hong Kong split in 1882 is told with much fine detail in the new number of the "Cornhill Magazine," and it is to be feared that it will not add to the reputation of the principal actors. Great issues were at stake, and on both sides there was without doubt honest conviction. At the same time Mr. Lucy, on the information of Mr. Lambrich, makes it clear that the final grouping of forces was largely determined by considerations of personal pride. The Marquess of Hartington and many other moderate Liberals were consistently opposed to Mr. Gladstone's whole scheme; but a larger body of more advanced Liberals, led by Mr. Chamberlain, were prepared to accept the Bill if its author would agree to certain concessions.

At one point this agreement was secured, but it was lost the next day solely because Mr. Chamberlain, exultingly pronouncing in his friends that Mr. Gladstone had made an "absolute surrender," instantly Mr. Gladstone drew back and refused to give any sign which could be construed into an admission that he had surrendered to Mr. Chamberlain. From that moment onwards these two powerful men were in opposite camps. When it is remembered that the point at issue between them—the retention of the Irish members at Westminster—was fully conceded by Mr. Gladstone in 1882, it is permissible to infer that for this question of plumb they would have remained in alliance, and that a good deal of the political history of the past twenty years would have been profoundly altered.

## SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, November 4th.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ  
(ACTING PLEAS JUDGE).

## AN APPLICATION FOR JUDGMENT.

The case in which S. E. Allans and Co. sued Miss M. Hayden to recover payment for goods sold, was mentioned in Court yesterday.

Mr. C. F. Dixon (of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings) represented the plaintiff and Mr. G. Morell (of Messrs. Goldring, Barlow and Morell) appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Dixon said the plaintiff had disposed of his business and the goodwill, stock-in-trade and book debts to a third party, so he imposed the right of action which was in the plaintiff was now vested in the third party. Therefore he would ask his Lordship to allow the case to go into Friday's list in order that he could see the third party and ascertain what his wishes were with regard to this action.

Mr. Morell asked for judgment and costs for the defendant for what it was worth. It was obvious that the plaintiff knew he was bankrupt, although in the box he swore that he was a wealthy man. In this he committed deliberate perjury, for he sold his business and filed his petition in bankruptcy on the same day. Plaintiff's case was absolutely broken down, and the defendant was entitled to judgment, otherwise in the bankruptcy proceedings a proof would be filed against defendant for debt.

Mr. Dixon—I am prepared to go on with the case, but cannot proceed with it in its present form.

Mr. Morell—I ask your Lordship for judgment.

His Lordship—On the merits of the case?

Mr. Morell—On the merits of the case, and on the plaintiff's cross-examination.

His Lordship (to Mr. Dixon).—Can you go on after having filed your petition?

Mr. Dixon—Certainly. The plaintiffs have assigned the goodwill of their business, stock-in-trade and book debts to somebody else. That vests, subject to notices which I have to give under the Judicature Act, whatever rights the plaintiffs had in this debt in the person who purchased the book debts. He will be entitled, if he thinks fit, to go on with the action and if he succeeds my friend will have to pay all the costs.

His Lordship—Can you go on now? You have assigned your interest.

Mr. Dixon—I am prepared, with your Lordship's permission, to amend the title in the action and go on with the case.

Mr. Morell—My friend cannot appear for Allans. Allans brought the action knowing he was insolvent, and defendant is entitled to judgment.

His Lordship—I don't think you are entitled to judgment, so far, but I will make a condition that you get your costs for to-day.

Mr. Dixon—Oh, no, my Lord. Against whom, my Lord?

His Lordship—On behalf of whom are you appearing?

Mr. Dixon—I am appearing at present for Allans and Co.

Mr. Morell—Who don't exist?

Mr. Dixon—And I am asking for the case to stand over as Allans has sold his business.

His Lordship—You are appearing for the plaintiff Allans?

Mr. Dixon—Yes.

His Lordship—He has no longer any interest in the subject matter of this claim.

Mr. Dixon—He has assigned the debt to somebody else. I am entitled to apply for an adjournment.

His Lordship—I can only grant the application on the payment of costs.

Mr. Dixon—Against whom does your Lordship make the order?

His Lordship—I don't know who your clients are, but if I grant your application it will be on those terms.

Mr. Dixon—Will your Lordship adjourn the case?

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Consignees of cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

This vessel brings on cargo:—  
From London, &c., ex.s.s. "Moldavia"  
From Australia ex.s.s. "Victoria"  
From Ceylon, ex.s.s. "Ceylon"  
From Persian Gulf ex. B. I. S. N.  
B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 6th Nov., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representatives at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 29th October, 1908.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SITHONIA."

Captain Braemer, having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day.

Any cargo impeding her discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th Nov., at 3 P.M.

No fire insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,  
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 30th October, 1908. 1511

## "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENARTY,"

FROM MIDDLESEYERG, ANTWERP,  
LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 6th Nov., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 12th Nov., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th Nov., at 11 A.M.

No fire insurance has been effected.

Bills of lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1908. 1516

BEN-TRADING CO. LTD.  
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A French Remedy for all Irritations. Thousands of ladies keep a box of Martin's Pills in the house so that on the first appearance of any trouble they can be administered. These pills are a safe and effective remedy. At all Chemists and Stores. Price 1s. 6d. per box.

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## SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.  
DAIJIN MARU, Japanese str., 300, I. Sakurai, 4th Nov.—Taman 1st Nov., General-Ordnance Stores Kaisha.  
DEVAWOROS, German str., 1,057 F. Rohweld, 4th Nov.—Bangkok 28th Oct., Rice and Meal—Butterfield & Swire.  
HAIMUN, British str., 638, J. W. Evans, 4th Nov.—Fuchow 1st Nov., Amoy 2nd and Swallow 3rd, General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.  
HANOR, French str., 742, J. Pander, 4th Nov.—Halpong 31st October, General—A. H. Marti.  
HUGHON, British str., 1,277, E. Forsyth, 4th November—Tainan 28th Oct., General—Butterfield & Swire.  
JAPAN, British str., 8,906, J. G. Olfent, 4th Nov.—Singapore 3rd October, General—David Samson & Co.  
PRINZ LUDWIG, German str., 5,675, F. v. Bitter, 4th Nov.—Dresden and Singapore 31st October, Main and General—Melchers & Co.  
RAGNAR, Norwegian str., 1,223, G. H. Nielsen, 4th Nov.—Hongkong 1st November, Coal—Aagard Thorsen & Co.  
SEETIN, British str., 1,393, C. Sangster, 4th November—Langkawi, Sumatra, via Singapore 28th Oct., Case oil—Geo M. Bain.  
SUMATRA, British str., 2,970, E. W. Bruce, 4th Nov.—Yokohama 21st Oct., General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

CLEARANCES  
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE  
4th November.  
Huichan, British str., for Canton.  
Kwang, British str., for Amoy.  
Stettin, British str., for Canton.  
Sumatra, British str., for London.

DEPARTURES,  
4th November.  
C. DIERDORFF, German str., for Hoikow.  
HAMPSTEAD, British str., for Manila.  
LAMINGDON, British str., for Sydney.  
PRINZ ALICE, German str., for Europe, &  
PRINZ SIGISMUND, German str., for Manila.

SHIPPING REPORTS.  
The British str. *Japda* reports: Light to moderate winds and fine clear weather.

VEESSES IN DOCK.  
November 4th  
ARMEDMEN DOCKS—*Ammontia*,  
KOWLOON DOCKS—H.M.S. *Whiting*, *S. Anna*,  
*Blanca*, *Aquilia*, *Usher*, *Allatros*, *Korea*,  
*Ka-pan*, *Pitapat*.  
COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS—*Nanshan*, M. S.  
*Dollar*.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE  
WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MAJABA  
(COAST).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR NEW YORK.  
S.S. "WRAY CASTLE" About 1st Dec.,  
For Freight and further information, apply to  
DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.  
Hongkong 4th November, 1908. 1598

DAMPFESCHIFFS-RHEDEREI "UNION"  
ACTIEN-GESELLSCHAFT.

FOR NEW YORK.  
(With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)

THE Steamship

"WCGLINDE,"  
Captain Mohr, will be despatched as above  
TO-DAY, the 5th November.

For Freight, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 31st October, 1908. 1423

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN,"  
Captain J. W. Evans, will be despatched for the above Ports TOMORROW, the 6th inst., at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPLAIK & CO.,  
General Manager.  
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1908. 1526

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA  
KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

"JAPAN,"  
Captain J. G. Olfent, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 8th inst., at Daylight.

This steamer has superior accommodation for passengers and is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified Doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DAVID SASSEON & CO., LTD.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 4th November, 1908. 1590

HONGKONG-BOSTON AND NEW YORK  
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.  
(with liberty to call at the Malabar Coast).

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

For BOSTON AND NEW YORK.  
S.S. "INVERCLYDE"..... On 13th Nov.

FOR NEW YORK ONLY.

S.S. "IRISMAAR" On or about 20th Nov.

For Freight and further information,  
Apply to

SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, 22nd October, 1908. 1414

## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections from Headland from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k" nearest Hongkong "h" midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

## SECTIONS.

1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2 From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3 From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG & BIG	SEETH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SUMATRA.....	Brit. str.	—	E. W. Bruce.....	P. & O. S. N. Co. ....	To-day, at 10 A.M.
LONDON &c. VIA USUAL PORTS—CALL...	DELINI.....	Brit. str.	—	J. D. Andrews, R.N.R. ....	P. & O. S. N. Co. ....	On 14th inst., at Noon.
LONDON, HAMBURG & ANTWERP	DENBIGHSHIRE.....	Brit. str.	—	Solmer.....	SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO. ....	About 80th inst.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	SURVIA.....	Ger. str.	k. w.	Eckhorn.....	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINIE ....	To-day.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SENEGAMBIA.....	Ger. str.	k. w.	—	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINIE ....	On 17th inst.
HAVRE, DI NIEKIRK & BALTIK PORTS, &c.	CANTON.....	Dan. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & CO. ....	Middle of November.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SEGOWIA.....	Ger. str.	k. w.	Sachs.....	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINIE ....	On 6th Dec.
MARSEILLES, ANTWERP & HAMBURG, &c.	LIBERIA.....	Dan. str.	k. w.	Knaied.....	—	To-day.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & COPENHAGEN, &c.	PEKING.....	Fr. str.	—	Broo.....	—	On 10th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	POLYNESIEN.....	Jap. str.	—	Wm. Wade.....	—	On 11th inst., at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KAMAKURA MARU.....	Jap. str.	N. Ohio	Brashaw.....	NIPPON YUSHIN KAISHA ....	On 25th inst., at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KANAGAWA MARU.....	Jap. str.	N. Ohio	v. Dohren.....	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINIE ....	On 4th Dec.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	ESTONIA.....	Ger. str.	k. w.	Bergudian.....	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINIE ....	On 22nd Dec.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	CHINA WEAT CASTLE.....	Aus. str.	—	Mohr.....	—	On 22nd inst., a.m.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	WEGGLINDE.....	Ger. str.	—	—	CARLOWITZ & CO. ....	About 1st Dec.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	INVERCLYDE.....	Am. str.	—	—	—	To-day.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN.....	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	—	About 20th inst.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	MONTAGUE.....	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	—	On 18th inst.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	AKI MARU.....	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi.....	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO. ....	On 7th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	SUVERIC.....	Brit. str.	—	W. Shotton.....	—	On 12th Dec., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	YUO MARU.....	Jap. str.	—	S. Jishikawa.....	—	On 16th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND.....	Brit. str.	—	D. Lens.....	—	On 19th inst.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	EASTERN.....	Brit. str.	1 m.	Hood.....	—	On 24th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	CHIANGSHA.....	Brit. str.	—	G. W. Elidy.....	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO. ....	On 12th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	YAMATA MARU.....	Jap. str.	—	—	—	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	LINKO MARU.....	Jap. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE ....	On 27th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	SADO MARU.....	Jap. str.	—	—	—	On 24th inst., at D'light
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	NIKKO MARU.....	Jap. str.	—	—	—	On 25th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	COBRA.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 26th inst.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	HUICHOW.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 7th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	CHIPPING.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 12th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	PRINZ LUDWIG.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 14th inst., D'light
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	WONGSANG.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 25th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	SHANGHAI.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 26th inst.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	INGANG.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 7th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	ARMAND BEHIC.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 13th inst., at D'light
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	PALEMBOR.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 9th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	YOCHOW.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	About 9th inst.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	YOSHIO MARU.....	Jap. str.	—	—	—	On 10th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	OCANA.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 10th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	SIAM.....	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 11th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	SCANDIA.....	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 12th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	NAMHANG.....	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 21st inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	ISTEJA.....	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 5th Dec.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	TIWIMI.....	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 23rd inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	SHOSHO MARU.....	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 24th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	DAIJIN MARU.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 25th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	CHIHLI.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 26th inst.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	LOONGSANG.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 27th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	ZAPERO.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 28th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	TAMING.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 29th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	YUNSAMG.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 30th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	ERUBI.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	Middle of November.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	SUNGKANG.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 1st inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	BORNEO.....	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 2nd inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	CAPRI.....	Ital. str.	—	—	—	On 3rd inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	WAKAMYA MARU.....	Jap. str.	—</			



## POST OFFICE NOTICE

On Monday, the 5th instant, having been declared a Public Holiday, the Post-Office will be open from 7 till 9 a.m. in the event of the arrival of the French Mail from Europe the Office will be open for one hour for the delivery of the Mail. There will be one delivery and a collection from the Pillar Boxes as on Sundays. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

The Public are informed that the Christmas and New Year Parcel Mails to the United Kingdom will be closed in this office at 5 p.m. on Friday, November the 13th. This parcel mail by the long sea route is due in London on the 10th of December.

Parcels may be forwarded via BRINDISI with an extra fee of 60 cents, such parcels are due to reach London on or about the 11th December with the letter marks.

Parcels containing Gold or Silver must be insured for at least part of their value.

All insured parcels must be sealed, all the seals must be of the same kind of wax, and must bear distinct impressions of some device, and this device must be the same on each seal. Straight, curved or crossed lines are not admissible.

Coins must not be used for sealing. The Clerks of the Post Office are forbidden to seal parcels for the public, or to affix stamps on letters of parcels.

Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via DALY and SIBERIA.

13th November ... at 11.30 a.m.

19th November ... at 8.30 a.m.

27th November ... at 11.30 a.m.

The Armand Béhic with the French mail of the 9th ult., left Singapore on Monday, the 2nd inst., at 3 p.m. and may be expected here on about Monday. His packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 5th September.

FOR

	DATES
Singapore, Penang and Colombo	Thursday, 5th, 9.00 a.m.
Macau	Thursday, 5th, 1.15 p.m.
Manila, Yap, Friedrich Wilhelmshafen, Maron and Sydney	Friday, 6th, 8.00 a.m.
Loosok	Friday, 6th, 8.00 a.m.
Hanoi	Friday, 6th, 10.10 a.m.
Kuonengang	Friday, 6th, 11.00 a.m.
Berria	Friday, 6th, 11.00 a.m.
Stevia	Friday, 6th, 11.00 a.m.
Pitauan	Friday, 6th, 1.10 p.m.
Sui Tai	Friday, 6th, NOON.
Louang	Friday, 6th, 3 p.m.
Loongtang	Saturday, 7th, 11.00 a.m.
Tingtang	Saturday, 7th, 11.00 a.m.
Zafiro	Saturday, 7th, 1.15 p.m.
Sui Tai	Saturday, 7th, 2.00 p.m.
Sungkian	Saturday, 7th, 2.00 p.m.
Huichow	Saturday, 7th,
Printed Matter, and Samples	2.00 p.m.
Registration, 2.00 p.m.	(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 2.30 p.m.)
Registration, Kowloon	2.00 p.m.
No late fee	2.00 p.m.
Letters	3.00 p.m.
Saturday, 7th, 5.00 P.M.	
Japan	Saturday, 7th, 5.00 P.M.
Novemtia	Saturday, 7th, 5.00 P.M.
Chihia	Saturday, 7th, 5.00 P.M.
Daijin Maru	Saturday, 7th, 9.00 a.m.
Choosing	Sunday, 8th, 5.00 P.M.
Machew	Monday, 10th, 10.00 a.m.
Tiitwong	Tuesday, 10th, 10.00 a.m.
Printed Matter and Samples	10.00 a.m.
Registration, 10.00 a.m.	(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.)
Registration, Kowloon	10.00 a.m.
Stamps & Dispensaries	10.00 a.m.
Campbell, M. & Co.	10.00 a.m.
Powell & Co., Wm.	10.00 a.m.
Watkins	10.00 a.m.
Watson & Co. A. S.	10.00 a.m.
Weissmann, Ld.	10.00 a.m.
United Asbestos	11.00 a.m.
Do. Founders	11.00 a.m.
Union Waterboat Co.	11.00 a.m.
Taming	Tuesday, 10th, 3 p.m.
Yockow	Tuesday, 10th, 3 p.m.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and VANCOUVER (B.C.).

(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)

Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji

Yokohama, Kobe, Moji, Bonolot, San Francisco and Portland

Hollow and Haiphong

Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui

Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok

Bangkok

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, Soerabaya and Macassar

EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TUTICORIN

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Shanghai

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## COMMERCIAL

## EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

November 4th

ON LONDON.— Telegraphic Transfer 1.82

Bank Bills, on demand 1.91

Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 1.82

Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 1.81

Credits at 4 months' sight 1.92

Commercial Bills 4 months' sight 1.92

ON PARIS.— Bank Bills, on demand 2.71

Credits at 4 months' sight 2.22

ON GERMANY.— on demand 1.771

ON NEW YORK.— Telegraphic Transfer 1.82

Bank Bills, on demand 1.92

Credits at 60 days' sight 1.82

ON BOMBAY.— Telegraphic Transfer 1.80

Bank, on demand 1.80

ON CALCUTTA.— Telegraphic Transfer 1.02

Bank, on demand 1.02

ON SHANGHAI.— Bank, at sight 7.1

Private, 30 days' sight 7.68

ON YOKOHAMA.— on demand 6.83

## SUBSIDARY COINS.

per cent.

Chinese 20 cents pieces \$4.24 discount

10 " " 5.70

Hongkong 20 " " 8.80

10 " " 8.85

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

## THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. str. Armand Béhic with the French Mail of the 11th ult., and Mails from London of the 10th ult., has left Singapore on Monday the 2nd inst., at 3 p.m. and may be expected to arrive here on Monday the 9th inst., and will leave for Shanghai and Japan on the same afternoon.

## THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The I.M.M. str. Marita, left Sydney Tuesday, the 20th ult., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 11th inst.

## THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. Empress of China left Vancouver p.m. on Wednesday the 26th ult., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N.G.I. str. Copri left Singapore for this port on the 30th ult., and may be expected here to-day.

The str. Wogline left Manila on the 3rd inst., and may be expected here to-day.

The H.A. Linie str. Siberia left Wosung on 2nd inst., 2 p.m., and may be expected here to-day a.m.

The Swedish str. Peking left Shimonoseki on a.m. the 31st ult., and may be expected here to-morrow.

The str. Siberia left Kobe on the 19th ult. for Hongkong via Moji and Manila.

The E. & A. str. Adenka left Sydney on 24th ult. for this port via Queensland ports.

The Mogul Line str. Sikk sailed from Singapore on the 31st ult. for Hongkong.

The N.Y.K. str. Yeboshi Maru (Bomby Line) left Bombay for this port via Colombo and Singapore on the 22nd ult., and is expected here on the 11th inst.

## ARRIVALS AT HOME.

per cent.

Chinese 20 cents pieces \$4.24 discount

10 " " 5.70

Hongkong 20 " " 8.80

10 " " 8.85

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, November 4th.

COMPANY. PAID UP. QUOTATIONS.

Alhambra \$200 Nominal

Banke \$125 London 200.45

National B. of China \$35 buyers

Bell's Asbestos E. A. 12s. 6d. \$8 buyers

China-Borneo Co. \$12 \$10.

China Light & P. Co. \$10 \$4, sellers

China Provident \$10 \$4, buyers

Cotton Mills \$200 11s. 6d. \$10, buyers

Dock & Wharves \$100 buyers

H. & W. Dock \$100 buyers

New Amoy Dock \$100 buyers

Shanghai Dock \$100 buyers

Sohyee \$100 buyers

Tung Loon \$100 buyers

Woolen & Woollen \$100 buyers

Yatton \$100 buyers